

Washington for the great work she has done on the Budget Committee.

At its root, at its bottom, a budget is the priorities of America. This represents the choices we make about the priorities for the money that we are going to spend over the next 7 years.

These are critically important choices, and the Senator from Washington has been loud and clear with respect to what those priorities ought to be—priorities that favor the middle class and working families in this country who are struggling to get by, saying to the students who want to further their education there ought to be an opportunity for a student loan. We should not, as the Republican plan calls for, increase the cost of that student loan \$3,100 over the next 7 years.

It says to that struggling senior, yes, there have to be savings out of Medicare; we understand that, but not these kinds of draconian cuts that mean a

further burden on seniors and that will threaten the closing of hospitals throughout the rural parts of America.

To say to others who count on Federal programs in order to survive, as that young man who was in the wheelchair this afternoon who relies on Medicaid for his very breath, that is an American priority, that is someone we care about in the American family.

Senator MURRAY has been right there making these points and carrying this fight. I thank her very much for the effort she makes every day to make certain that the budget reflects the priorities of the American people.

I thank the Chair and yield the floor.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 11 A.M.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1995

Mrs. MURRAY. Madam President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous

consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 3:30 p.m., adjourned until Monday, October 23, 1995, at 11 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate October 20, 1995:

THE JUDICIARY

NANETTE K. LAUGHREY, OF MISSOURI, TO BE U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN AND WESTERN DISTRICTS OF MISSOURI, VICE JOSEPH E. STEVENS, JR., RETIRED.

U.S. INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AGENCY

LOTTIE LEE SHACKELFORD, OF ARKANSAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 17, 1998. (REAPPOINTMENT)